

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

By this Amendment, Applicant has cancelled claims 2, 8 and 50 and amended claims 1, 3, 7, 9 and 49. Claims 1, 7 and 49 incorporate subject matter of cancelled claims 2, 8, and 50. Claims 3 and 9 were amended to depend from claims 1 and 7, respectively. Claims 1, 3-7, 9-44, 48, 49 and 51 are now pending.

The Office Action states that 13-44 and 48 are allowable. In addition, it states that claims 2, 3, 8, 9 and 50 recite allowable subject matter, but were objected to for depending from rejected independent claims 1, 7 and 49. Claims 4 and 10 depend from claims 3 and 9, respectively, and thus, claims 4 and 10 should be allowable as well.

As noted above, independent claims 1, 7 and 49 incorporate subject matter of allowable claims 2, 8 and 50. Accordingly, claims 1, 7 and 49 are allowable. Claims 3-6, 9-12 and 51 are also allowable at least due to their corresponding dependence from claims 1, 7 and 49.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited. In the event that there are any questions concerning this paper, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone Applicants' undersigned representative so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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